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ADDENDUM

Subject: Addendum to the Notification dated 27.07.2026 regarding the "Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the MBBS Course, 2026"

Attention is invited to Clause 9.2 of the Guidelines on Assessment of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) for Admission to the MBBS Course, 2026, notified vide Notification No. U-11021/24204/2026-UGMEB dated 27.07.2026, which provides that every candidate seeking admission under the PwBD category shall possess a valid Permanent Unique Disability Identity (UDID) Card. Attention is also invited to Office Memorandum No. 18-25/2024-Policy dated 17.12.2025 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, regarding the validity of temporary UDID Cards/Disability Certificates for extending statutory benefits to eligible persons with benchmark disabilities.

2. That, in order to provide clarity and to ensure that the provisions of the Guidelines are interpreted in consonance with the Office Memorandum No. 18-25/2024-Policy dated 17.12.2025 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, the following addendum is hereby issued. The said Office Memorandum clarifies that persons with benchmark disabilities which are progressive, non-progressive or not likely to improve shall not be denied statutory benefits merely because their disability certificate is temporary in nature.
3. Accordingly, it is clarified that Clause 9.2 shall be read harmoniously with the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Amendment) Rules, 2024, and the aforesaid Office Memorandum dated 17.12.2025.
4. Therefore, for the purposes of admission to the MBBS Course under the PwBD category:
 - (i) A candidate shall not be denied consideration solely on the ground that the UDID Card or Disability Certificate is temporary, where the disability has been

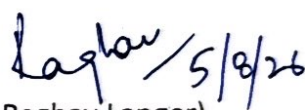
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categorized as "progressive, non-progressive or not likely to improve", subject to verification by the Medical Assessment Board in accordance with the Guidelines dated 27.07.2026.

(ii) In cases of Candidates holding Temporary UDID with a disability condition recorded as "likely to improve", the Medical Assessment Boards shall re- assess benchmark disability of the candidates as per the assessment methodology prescribed under the Notification dated 12th March, 2024 issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, apart from assessing the functional competency as per the provisions prescribed under the Guidelines dated 27.07.2026.

(iii) The Medical Assessment Board shall continue to independently assess the candidate's functional competency in accordance with the Guidelines dated 27.07.2026, before issuing the Eligibility Certificate.

5. This clarification is issued to ensure uniform implementation of the Guidelines dated 27.07.2026 and shall be read as an integral part of said Guidelines.


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All stakeholders for admission to MBBS course, 2026